
HOUSE BILL No. 1724

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 4-23-16-12.

Synopsis: State and local purchases of accessible technology. Requires the state information technology oversight commission to adopt rules that conform to federal requirements for electronic and information technology accessibility. Mandates that the rules apply to all technology purchases and contracts of the executive, legislative, judicial, and administrative branches of state and local government. Expands the membership of a group that develops these state and local standards to include representatives of state and local government.

Effective: July 1, 2003.

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January 21, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Technology, Research and Development.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state and local administration.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 4-23-16-12, AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2002,
2 SECTION 11, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 12. (a) The commission shall appoint a group to
4 develop standards that are compatible with principles and goals
5 contained in the electronic and information technology accessibility
6 standards adopted by the architectural and transportation barriers
7 compliance board under Section 508 of the federal Rehabilitation Act
8 of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794d), as amended. **The commission shall adopt**
9 **rules under IC 4-22-2 concerning the standards developed under**
10 **this section. Those standards must conform with the requirements**
11 **of Section 508 of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C.**
12 **794d), as amended.**
13 (b) The group shall consist, at minimum, of the following:
14 (1) A representative of an organization with experience in and
15 knowledge of assistive technology policy.
16 (2) An individual with a disability.
17 (3) **Representatives of the judicial and legislative branches of**



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1 **state government.**

2 **(4) Representatives of the administrative branch of state**
3 **government.**

4 **(5) At least three (3) representatives of local units of**
5 **government.**

6 (c) If an agency cannot immediately follow the information
7 technology accessibility standards, it shall submit a plan for undue
8 burden with timelines for compliance, and the plan must provide
9 alternative means for accessibility during the period.

10 **(d) Notwithstanding any law, the standards developed under**
11 **subsection (a) apply to the executive, legislative, judicial, and**
12 **administrative branches of state and local government.**

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